# Wollaston, E Maudit, Bozeat & Strixton church community

## Worship this Sunday - 3rd May

From 10am on facebook, websites & youtube channel:

(see overleaf for details)

Home church & traditional services emailed to everyone

## **Readings for this Sunday**

(Easter 4)

1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

### General information

Keeping in touch - Everyone in the WEBS directory will be regularly contacted by phone/email/other means by Adrian, Louise or a warden (Wollaston); Dawn, PCC members, Youth & children's workers (Bozeat & E Maudit) and Gordon (Strixton).

Praying - Adrian & Dawn will be making time to pray for all the church households in the WEBS directory (and a few others not in the directory) every week. Those with surnames A-B on Monday, B-C Tuesdays, D-F on Wednesdays, G-H on Thursdays, I-M on Fridays, N-R on Saturdays and S-W on Sundays. Please contact us if there is something specific you want us to pray into, otherwise we will pray for the Lord's blessing for you and whatever we feel He puts on our hearts for you.

Vestry time - In this extraordinary time, we am proposing to have 'vestry time' every Wednesday 1 - 4pm.

During this time both Adrian & Dawn will be in our studies and will be available for people to phone, Skype or FaceTime. Please hear, we are available at other times, but this will be a time where we will be particularly available!

Wollaston church community only - WhatsApp - Matthew Beeby has set up a WhatsApp group to try and cover more immediate practical needs. If you want to be part of this then simply text Matthews mobile 07737148358.

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• The Bishop writes about Vocations Sunday 3 May - This coming Sunday is set aside in the Church's calendar as Vocations Sunday – a day to help people especially think about God's call on their lives. We have often thought of it as a day to focus upon how the Lord might be calling particular people to serve in the authorised ministries of the Church. That remains so. You will have noticed, I am sure, certain people displaying an aptitude for ministry and maturity of faith during these unusual times. Please do, this coming weekend, encourage such people to look at the pages on our diocesan website which introduce:

Ordination https://www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/ ordained-ministry/ordained-ministry

Lay Ministry https://www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/licensed-lay-ministry/licensed-lay-ministry-1

Stories of people who have explored their calling <a href="https://www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/vocation-voices/vocation-voices/vocation-voices">https://www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/vocation-voices/vocation-voices</a>

The National Church website https://www.churchofengland.org/life-events/vocations also has a lot of useful information.

- Church Annual reports With the annual general meetings unable to take place at the moment (see overleaf), the annual reports which summarise all that happened during 2019 are now available for both St. Mary's, Bozeat and St. Mary's, Wollaston. These can be found on the respective church websites.
- Jigsaw puzzles Jean Rose has a whole load of puzzles that people can borrow... she is happy to deliver them to the Wollaston area. Contact Jean on 01933 663778.
- Holiday Club 2020 in this unusual season, we are continuing to plan holiday club, preparing it in such a way that it can be given out in bags and sourced on line! Thinking we will adapt as we go along with the circumstances we face. We are calling it *Brave Dave* and it will follow and explore the life of David. One of the activities in the bag will be a sheep mask, if any one has thin elastic suitable I would be grateful. If you would like to know more about what we are doing, or have elastic I could collect please contact me: louisemorton762@gmail.com, Many thanks, Louise

Please turn over for more notices...

- Annual General Meetings/PCC elections The Bishop has recently given guidance about these. The annual church meetings, including elections for PCC members can now be held no later than 31st October 2020. This means existing members are still legally on the PCC until the annual meeting is held. At the moment, unless there is urgent business to discuss and vote on, we are not planning to hold PCC meetings via Zoom/email. Thanks, Adrian
- The Daylight Centre are still managing to operate but are now making up packs of food to be distributed to those trapped in hotels, boarding houses and tent encampments. Current urgent needs are: UHT Milk, UHT Fruit Juices (not grapefruit), Tinned vegetables, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned fruit, Jam, Tinned rice pudding, Ready-made Custard, Pot Noodles or similar.

Please deliver direct to the Centre between 9.30am and 11.30am or 3pm till 4pm, or to 2 Manchester Road, Wollaston or contact Jean & David Rose 01933 663778 for collection. Your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you.

#### **NEW!**



St. Mary's Bozeat & Wollaston, Northamptonshire Youtube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiJR-fqRHF2J4mnccy4A9TQ

#### Wollaston Health & Wellbeing Group

(An initiative of St Mary's Church, Wollaston)



We can all do something to help save our planet – each month there will be a challenge for you to do at home, at work or at school.

**April's Challenge** – When you boil a kettle, only put in the amount of water you need for what you want to do.

**How it helps** – You are saving the precious resource of water and not sending it down the sink to be cleaned and purified for reuse and you are saving electricity, which should show on your electricity bills! A win win all round.

**HARDSHIP FUND** - We are conscious that many people will be suffering financially at this time and as a church we would like to help where we can.

A hardship fund has now been setup and will be administered via the Wollaston church account with myself and Diane Robinson (treasurer at Wollaston) involved.

The way it will work is as follows:

**Receiving funds** - you can receive funds if you are a member of one of the Benefice congregations **or** if you know of someone (e.g. friend/neighbour etc) who is also in need.

Initially, amounts up to £100 will be available at any one time.

Please contact Adrian in the first instance to access this hardship fund, full confidentially will be maintained.

Donating to the hardship fund - a number of people have already said they are willing to donate into this fund. At the moment St. Mary's, Wollaston has allocated a budget to cover the hardship fund so please, again contact Adrian if you are willing to donate into this and he will add your name to the list of donors and you will be contacted if/when the fund needs replenishing.

Any questions/comments then feel free to contact me.

Many thanks, Adrian

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#### Facebook pages, search:

Wollaston church - St. Mary's Church Wollaston Bozeat church - St Mary's Bozeat Church Events

#### Websites:

https://stmaryswollaston.com https://bozeatchurchstmarys.com

**Prayer Chain** - St. Mary's, Wollaston runs a prayer chain where needs will be prayed for by a team of people. Use the confidential email, <u>websprayerlink@gmail.com</u>, to send in your requests.